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Dr. Orin Hoffman
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Dear Dr. Hoffman:

Congratulations! I am writing to let you know that your chapter's Marsh White proposal "The Power of Light", submitted by Elizabeth Fenstermacher and Phoebe Judge, has been selected as a 2003 Marsh White Award winner for the amount of \$283. The awards committee was extremely impressed with your proposal, for its promotion of physics and of SPS.

There were well over a dozen proposals submitted this year, and this year we were able to fund most of the projects that the Awards Committee deemed meritorious, thanks to impressive donations this year by members of Sigma Pi Sigma, the physics honor society. Please let your SPS chapter know that Sigma Pi Sigma donors provide the funding for this program, as well as supporting other research, scholarship and outreach programs for SPS.

A final report of your project and expenditures is required by June 15. Chapters not providing a final report seriously limit their chances for future awards.

Finally, I would like to make a special request for Blake Lilly Award submissions this year. All your chapter has to do is submit a brief report (on the web, most conveniently) of its outreach activities by April 15, 2002---pictures and newspaper articles would be great. If you are able to submit your final Marsh White report this early, then it will be considered for the Blake Lilly Prize if you request.

Once again, congratulations to you and your chapter. I hope that your proposed project goes well. We are looking forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,

Gary White
cc: Dr. Howard Nicholson, Dept. Chair
Dr. Joanne V. Creighton, President

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